

Nevada Department of Education

APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL AND STATE SUPPORT FOR NBPTS CERTIFICATION 2004-2005

Federal Support Information

Federal support for NBPTS Certification (Candidate Subsidy Fund) for Nevada for the 2004-2005 year is around \$35,000. Not all applicants who apply may receive nor should expect a full amount of support. The Nevada Department of Education will consider all applications from enrolled candidates (those who paid their \$300 non-refundable fee to the NBPTS and received their Candidate ID#) submitted by the deadline of October 31, 2004 for this allocation cycle. If additional funds were to be reallocated to Nevada at some future date and before the actual transfer of funds normally conducted in December, then the amount of subsidy support may be increased per awarded candidate or any or all additional candidates applying after the October 31 deadline. Although the maximum allowable amount of support per candidate is set at \$1,150.00 through the federal provision of this subsidy fund, the state is authorized to set a different amount of support but in no case may exceed that maximum threshold. It is anticipated that the state may recommend per candidate a subsidy support in the range of \$400.00 to \$700.00 per candidate this year. This is all dependent on the quality and quantity of potential applicants who have made the commitment to be national board certified teachers of being duly enrolled in the program by the transmittal of subsidy funds in December. Funding support recommendations to the National Board of Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) will be made final in January 2005.

State Support Information

State Support in the amount of \$51,000 will be available during the 2004-2005 application period. State funds, however, can only be provided as reimbursement to applicants who successfully achieved the National Board Certification through NBPTS. This applies to new candidates or re-take candidates. A maximum amount of \$2,300.00 can be reimbursed by the state for expenses or *net outlay* incurred directly by the new National Board Certified Teacher. Any prior subsidy support - federal, scholarship from outside agency, Washington Mutual Bank, local or state sources - will be used (subtracted from the \$2,300) to calculate the actual amount allowable for the *net outlay* claim. If the number of applicant who achieved National Board Certification have expenses that exceed the state appropriation, funding will be reimbursed on a prorated basis in relation to total expenses incurred by all of the applicants for that cohort year. If you are not successful in achieving National Board Certification, the state cannot reimburse you for any of the expenses incurred.

Partial or full reimbursement of expenses through state appropriations is not a competitive process. If you achieve National Board Certification, you are eligible to receive state reimbursement provided you submit documents, receipts and any required claim forms by the stated / printed deadline date. Awards will be made in February 2005.

Directions and Checklist

Please check off each item as you complete the process.

- ☐ Fill out the "Applicant Demographic Data Sheet" completely!
- ☐ Submit a letter of recommendation from an administrator or another professional educator.
- ☐ Complete the "Am I Ready for the Support Network?" Self Assessment.
- ☐ Submit a 2-page typewritten essay entitled "Why I should be supported in my quest for National Board Certification (If applying for Federal Subsidy Support only)
- ☐ Submit ALL ITEMS TOGETHER. Incomplete application packages will not be considered!!!!!!
- ☐ Send to: Chopin Kiang, Nevada Department of Education – 1820 E. SAHARA Ave. Ste 205, LAS VEGAS, NV 89104

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Applicant Demographic Data Sheet

Social Security Number

Candidate ID Number

Last Name

First Name

Initial

Street Address

City

State

Zip

(____) _____

Home Phone Number (Reachable on evenings and weekends – **REQUIRED**)

School District

School

Grade or Subject Taught

I am applying for: (you may apply for both)

☐ Federal Support (awarded as a subsidy, up front, to the applicant)

☐ State Support (awarded as reimbursement after National Board Certification is achieved)

Note:

The Federal Support is only available to new candidates who have already applied to the NBPTS. RE-take candidates are not eligible for the Federal Support.

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AM I READY FOR THE SUPPORT NETWORK?
A Self-Inquiry Reflection Quiz

Give each question a score from 1 (strong NO) to 7 (strong YES).

1. I have 300-400 hours of personal time to devote to this process. _____
2. I am a self-starter and self motivated. _____
3. I view myself as a teacher of high standards. _____
4. I work well with professional groups. _____
5. I look forward to sharing my student's work with my group. _____
6. I look forward to sharing my classroom videos with my group. _____
7. I look forward to sharing my written commentaries with my group. _____
8. I regularly reflect upon and modify my teaching practice. _____
9. I can attend regular Saturday Seminars. _____
10. I can attend regular small group meetings. _____
11. I can travel (if necessary) to meetings in various parts of the city. _____
12. My family/friends will act as a support system for me. _____
13. My current school administration will support my candidacy.
(emotional support, release time, video equipment, etc.) _____
14. I have computer and other technological capabilities. _____
15. I can afford to pay the \$2300 fee. _____

If my score was: **75 - 63** = **"National Board, here I come!"**
 62 - 50 = **"I can do it, but...."**
 49 - 37 = **"Maybe next year!"**

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